

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In the specification, the paragraph beginning at page 8, line 23 and ending on page 9, line 3 has been amended to provide clarity. No new matter has been added. Additionally, reference to the relied upon parent application (and issued patent therefrom) has been included at the beginning of page 1 of the specification.

After reviewing the objections to the drawings it is noted that "web 30" can be found clearly marked in figures 1 and 2. "Turn 64" can be found clearly marked in figure 5. "Curve 166" has been added to Figure 22 and is illustrated on the attached drawing sheet.

It is noted that claims 13-16 in the above described application would be allowable if rewritten or amended to overcome the rejections under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph. Claim 13 has been amended to correct antecedent basis. Claim 14 has been amended to correct the preamble, and to correct the double inclusion issues with respect to clip, ring and half ring. Claim 15 has been amended to correct the preamble and antecedent basis issues. Claim 16 has been amended to correct the preamble and to provide clarity the remainder of the claim. No new matter has been added.

In light of the foregoing amendments, Applicants believe that claims 13-16 are allowable under 35 U.S.C. §§ 112, 102 and 103. Therefore, the Examiner is respectfully requested to withdraw the rejections set forth in the Office Action of April 14, 2003 and allow these claims to pass onward to allowance.

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